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### A BILL INTITULED

# An Act to amend the law relating to Maoris and Maori Land, and for other purposes

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Maori Purposes Act 1970.

## PART I

# Amendments to Maori Affairs Act 1953

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2. This Part to form part of the Maori Affairs Act 1953— This Part of this Act shall be read together with and deemed part of the Maori Affairs Act 1953\* (in this Part referred to as the principal Act).

3. Salaries of Judges—(1) Section 21 of the principal Act 15 (as substituted by section 18 of the Maori Purposes Act 1959) is hereby amended by repealing subsections (1) and (2) (as substituted by section 3 (1) of the Maori Purposes Act 1969) and subsection (3), and substituting the following subsections:

"(1) There shall be paid to the Judges of the Maori Land 20 Court out of the Consolidated Revenue Account, without further appropriation than this section, salaries at such rates as the Governor-General, by Order in Council, from time to time determines.

"(2) The salary of a judge shall not be diminished by 25 Order in Council under this section during the continuance of his appointment.

"(3) Any Order in Council under subsection (1) of this section, and any provision of any such order, may be made so as to come into force on a date to be specified in that behalf 30 in the order, being the date of the making of the order or any other date, whether before or after the date of the making of the order or the date of the commencement of this section.

"(3A) Every Order in Council under subsection (1) of this section, and every provision of any such order, in respect of 35 which no date is specified as aforesaid shall come into force on the date of the making of the order.

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- "(3B) The provisions of section 8 of the Regulations Act 1936 (which relates to the laying of regulations before Parliament) shall extend and apply to every Order in Council made under subsection (1) of this section."
- (2) Section 3 of the Maori Purposes Amendment Act 1969 is hereby consequentially repealed.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, the salary payable to a Judge of the Maori Land Court shall continue to be paid at the rate fixed by subsection (1) or, as the case may be, subsection (2) of section 21 of the principal Act (as in force immediately before the passing of this Act) until that rate is increased by an order made under subsection (1) of section 21 of the principal Act (as substituted by subsection (1) of this section).
- 15 4. Period for investigation of customary land extended—Section 161A of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 (as inserted by section 136 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967) is hereby amended—

20 (a) By omitting from subsection (1) the words "nineteen hundred and seventy", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and seventy-three":

(b) By omitting from subsection (2) the words "nineteen hundred and seventy-one", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and seventy-four":

- 25 (c) By omitting from subsection (3) the words "nineteen hundred and seventy-two", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and seventy-five".
- 5. Vesting orders transferring interests in land—(1) Section 213 of the principal Act (as substituted by section 90 of the 30 Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967) is hereby amended by repealing subsection (2), and substituting the following subsections:
- "(2) No order shall be made under this section in respect of any interest which in the opinion of the Court, is of a 35 value less than \$50 unless—
  - "(a) The person in whom the interest is vested by the order already possesses a freehold interest in the same land; or
- "(b) The interest vested by the order comprises the whole of the interest in the land to which the owner was entitled immediately before the making of the order
- "(2A) In the case of Maori freehold land which is owned for a freehold estate in fee simple by more than 10 45 owners, no order (other than an order made pursuant to sub-

section (4) of this section) shall be made under this section unless the person in whom the interest is vested by the order is—

"(a) A Maori or a descendant of a Maori:

"(b) A Maori incorporation under Part IV of the Maori 5 Affairs Amendment Act 1967:

"(c) The husband or wife, or a child or remoter issue, of the owner:

"(d) A brother, sister, or parent, of the owner:

"(e) A brother or sister of a parent of the owner, a child 10 or remoter issue of such a parent or of a brother or sister of such a parent:

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- "(f) A trustee appointed under section 438 of this Act who is authorised by the trusts declared pursuant to that section to acquire an interest in the land from a beneficial owner for the benefit of all or some of the other beneficial owners."
- (2) Section 213 of the principal Act is hereby further amended by omitting from subsection (3), and also from subsection (5), the words "subsection (2)", and substituting in each case the words "subsections (2) and (2A)".
- 6. Repeal of Part XXV of principal Act—Part XXV of the principal Act is hereby repealed.
- 7. Leasing of Maori reservations—Section 439 of the 25 principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after subsection (9), the following subsection:
- "(9A) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (9) of this section, any lease or licence which is granted pursuant to the proviso to that subsection and which is granted for the 30 purposes of education or health may be for a term exceeding 7 years and may confer on the lessee or licensee a right of renewal for one or more terms."
- 8. Adjustment of shareholding by incorporations—Section 33 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 is hereby 35 amended by inserting in subsection (1), after the words "may at any time", the words "and from time to time".
- 9. Orders amalgamating incorporations and orders including in incorporations owners of additional land owned by Maoris may be retrospective—(1) Section 44 of the Maori 40 Affairs Amendment Act 1967 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(7) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 34 of the principal Act, an order of incorporation may be made

to take effect on a date specified by the Court which may be a date earlier than the date of the minute thereof entered in the records of the Court."

(2) Section 45 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967

5 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(5) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 34 of the principal Act, an amending order may be made to take effect on a date specified by the Court which may be a date earlier than the date of the minute thereof entered in

10 the records of the Court."

10. Investigation of incorporations' affairs—(1) The Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 is hereby amended by repealing section 61 (as amended by section 7 of the Maori Purposes Act 1968), and substituting the following section:

"61. (1) The Court may appoint one or more persons (hereinafter in this section referred to as 'examining officers') to investigate the affairs of an incorporation and to report thereon to the Court in such manner as the Court directs. The person or persons so appointed may (with the consent 20 of the Secretary) be officers of the Department.

"(2) The Court's jurisdiction under subsection (1) of this

section may be exercised:

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"(a) On the application of shareholders together owning

not less than one-tenth of the shares; or

25 "(b) Pursuant to a declaration by special resolution passed by a general meeting of shareholders that the affairs of the incorporation should be investigated;

"(c) On the Court's own motion where it appears to the Court that there is sufficient cause to exercise

that jurisdiction.

"(3) It shall be the duty of the members of the committee of management, and the secretary, and other officers or servants of the incorporation (whether past or present)—

- 35 "(a) To produce to the examining officers all books and papers of or relating to the incorporation and otherwise to give to the examining officers all assistance which they are reasonably able to give;
- 40 "(b) To furnish any explanation required, pursuant to any direction of the Court, on any matter or question referred to in any report of the examining officers.
- "(4) If any person fails in any duty imposed on him by 45 subsection (3) of this section, the Court may inquire into

the failure and, after hearing any witnesses who may be produced against or on behalf of the alleged offender and after hearing any statement which may be offered in defence, punish the offender in like manner as if he had been guilty

of contempt of the Court.

"(5) Where, after having considered the reports of the examining officers and any explanation which has been furnished under subsection (4) of this section, the Court is of opinion that any matter or question affecting the incorporation should be the subject of inquiry at a sitting of 10 the Court, or that a prima facie case for the exercise of any of the powers conferred upon the Court by subsection (6) of this section appears, the Court may appoint a time and place for a sitting of the Court and give such directions for service of notice of the sitting, and of the matters to be dealt 15 with, as it thinks fit.

"(6) Where as the result of any investigation or examination into the affairs of an incorporation the Court thinks it necessary so to do, it may, notwithstanding any of the

provisions of this Part of this Act.—

"(a) Remove from office any member or members of the

committee of management:

"(b) Appoint for such period as it thinks fit some person or persons to hold office as an additional member or additional members of the committee of manage- 25 ment:

"(c) Suspend for such term as it thinks fit the powers of the members of the committee of management and appoint one or more competent persons to exercise all the powers of the committee:

"(d) Impose such restrictions, conditions, or exceptions as it thinks fit on the powers of the incorporation:

"(e) Give such directions as it thinks fit for the conduct of the business of the incorporation:

"(f) Order the winding up of the incorporation:

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"(g) Refer any matter to the Attorney-General to consider whether any information should be laid or any prosecution commenced against any person or persons.

"(7) The Court may, before appointing an examining 40 officer require security for the cost of the examination, not exceeding \$100, to be given by the applicant; and may on completion of the investigation or at any stage thereof make such order as it thinks fit for the payment by the incorporation or by a shareholder or any other person of a reasonable 45 sum to defray the costs of the examination and of any inquiry

before the Court.

"(8) The Court may, in respect of any vacancies in the membership of a committee of management created by the exercise of its powers under paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of this section—

"(a) Order an election to fill the vacancies; or

"(b) Fill the vacancies by appointment under subsection (4) of section 52 of this Act; or

"(c) Order that the vacancies remain unfilled pending a further order of the Court.

"(9) Any additional member appointed to a committee of management pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of this section shall not, for the purposes of the provisions as to the retirement of members contained in section 55 of this Act, be included in the number of members of the committee

15 but for all other purposes shall have all the powers and be subject to all the provisions relating to the members of committees. The appointment of any such member may at any time be terminated by the Court, notwithstanding that the period for which he was appointed has not yet expired."

20 (2) Section 7 of the Maori Purposes Act 1968 is hereby

consequently repealed.

#### PART II

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO MAORI LEGISLATION

11. Setting apart land for purposes of Maori Housing Act 1935—(1) The Maori Housing Amendment Act 1938 is hereby amended by repealing section 2 (as amended by section 14 (1) of the Maori Purposes Act 1961), and substituting the following section:

"2. (1) The Board of Maori Affairs may by notice pub-

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"(a) Set apart for the purposes of the principal Act, any land which is Crown land under the Land Act 1948 or is State Housing land within the meaning of the Housing Act 1955 and which is not subject to any lease or licence:

"(b) Vary or revoke any Proclamation issued under this section before the 1st day of January 1971 or

any notice issued under this section.

"(2) When any land has, whether before or after the com-40 mencement of this Act, been set apart pursuant to this section or is under section 3 of this Act deemed to be set apart for the purposes of the principal Act, the District Land Registrar, at the request of the Board of Maori Affairs, shall endorse on the existing certificate of title to the land a memorial that the land is subject to the Maori Housing Act 1935, or if no certificate of title already exists for the land, the District Land Registrar shall issue a certificate in the name of Her Majesty the Queen and shall endorse such a memorial thereon; and shall, at the like request, cancel the memorial as to the whole or any part of the land."

(2) Section 5 of the Maori Purposes Act 1945 and subsection (1) of section 14 of the Maori Purposes Act 1961 10

are hereby consequentially repealed.

(3) This section shall come into force on the 1st day of January 1971.

12. Hall site for Ngati Poneke Maori Association—(1) Section 15 of the Maori Purposes Act 1969 is hereby amended 15 by inserting, after subsection (4), the following subsection:

- "(4A) While it remains vested in the Maori Trustee in accordance with the provisions of this section, the land shall be deemed not to be rateable property, in the same manner and to the same extent as if it were land described in the 20 First Schedule to the Rating Act 1967 and subject to the provisions of section 5 of that Act."
- (2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the 24th day of October 1969.
- 13. Powers of Maori Trustee in respect of leases of reserved 25 land—(1) Section 9B of the Maori Reserved Land Act 1955 (as inserted by section 156 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967) is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of subsection (2) the words "him under subsection (5)", and substituting the words "the lessee under subsection (4)". 30

(2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April 1968.

14. Beneficial owners may resolve to apply money for specified purpose—(1) Section 10 of the Maori Reserved Land Act 1955 (as substituted by section 153 (1) of the 35 Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967) is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(4) A meeting of the assembled owners of any reserved land summoned and held in accordance with the provisions of Part XXIII of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 may pass a 40 resolution under paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 315 of that Act, and the provisions of that Part shall apply

accordingly."

- (2) Section 471 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 is hereby amended by inserting at the commencement thereof the words "Except as provided in subsection (4) of section 10 of the Maori Reserved Land Act 1955".
- 15. Constitution of Maori Soldiers Trust Committee—
  (1) Section 8 of the Maori Soldiers Trust Act 1957 (as amended by section 10 of the Maori Purposes Act 1962) is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (c) of subsection (2) the words "under section 23 of the Maori Affairs 10 Act 1953", and substituting the words "by an Order in Council, made pursuant to section 23 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 on the 8th day of August 1962, and published in the Gazette of the 16th day of August 1962".

(2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force

15 on the 14th day of December 1962.

- 16. Maori Trustee may recognise committee of beneficial owners—The Maori Trustee Act 1953 is hereby amended by inserting, after section 14, the following section:
- "14a. (1) The provisions of this section shall apply in respect of any land which is by statute or otherwise vested in the Maori Trustee to administer for the benefit of specified Maoris or descendants of Maoris (hereinafter in this section referred to as 'the beneficiaries').

"(2) For the purpose of advising the beneficiaries of the 25 progress of his administration and of assisting him in the administration of any land in respect of which the provisions of this section apply, the Maori Trustee may recognise a

committee of the beneficiaries of that land.

"(3) The Maori Trustee shall recognise a committee for 30 the purposes of subsection (2) of this section if, in his opinion, the committee has been elected at a meeting or meetings of beneficiaries or otherwise selected or appointed by the beneficiaries or a substantial part of them and is fairly representative of the beneficiaries.

"(4) The Maori Trustee may, from money held by him for the beneficiaries of any land in respect of which the provisions

of this section apply:

"(a) Make such contribution as he sees fit towards the expenses of members of any committee recognised by him; and

"(b) Set aside and expend for tribal or community purposes pursuant to a recommendation of a committee recognised by him, such sum as he sees fit, but not exceeding the sum recommended and not in any one case exceeding \$50:

"Provided that payment made pursuant to this section from money held in respect of any land shall not in any one year exceed in total an amount equal to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  percent of the money available for distribution to the beneficiaries in that year

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"(5) Except as provided by subsection (4) of this section, nothing in this section shall be construed to authorise the Maori Trustee to act otherwise than in accordance with the terms and conditions governing his administration of any land or of the proceeds thereof.

"(6) A committee recognised by the Maori Trustee pursuant to this section shall not be or be deemed to be an advisory trustee in terms of section 49 of the Trustee Act 1965."

17. Position with regard to leases when Maori vested land 20 revested in owners—Section 70 of the Maori Vested Lands Administration Act 1954 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(6) Subject to the provisions of subsection (5) of this section, the rights, duties, and obligations of the Maori 25 Trustee under any leases granted by him pursuant to this Act shall, upon the revesting by an order under this section of the land comprised in any such lease, be exercisable by and enforceable against the legal owner or owners for the time being of the land; and all the provisions of the lease and any 30 provisions of this Act incorporated in the lease, either directly or by reference, and relating to the service of notices, the taking of applications, and the like, upon to and by the Maori Trustee shall be read accordingly."

18. Subsidy to New Zealand Maori Council—Section 25 35 of the Maori Welfare Act 1962 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(3) There shall be paid each year to the New Zealand Maori Council out of money appropriated by Parliament for the purpose such sum as is approved by the Minister." 40

### PART III

#### EAST COAST MAORI TRUST LANDS

- 19. Interpretation—In this Part of this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, "Commissioner" means the East
  5 Coast Commissioner under Part IV of the Maori Purposes Act 1931, and includes the deputy appointed under that Part of that Act to exercise the powers and functions of the Commissioner.
- 20. Disposition by Commissioner of remaining assets—10 (1) The Commissioner is hereby authorised and directed as soon as conveniently may be after the commencement of this Act, to transfer to the Maori Trustee the title to the land comprised in the Mangaotane Trust Estate, established by section 12 of the Maori Purposes Act 1951, as the same is described in subsection (2) of this section, and, after meeting all legal and other costs, charges, and expenses incurred in respect of the estate, to pay, deliver and transfer to the Maori Trustee all money and other assets comprised in the Trust Estate.

20 (2) The land affected by subsection (1) of this section, being the land comprised in the Mangaotane Trust Estate, consists of:

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(a) All those pieces of land containing 9,178 acres, more or less, being Lot 3 on Deposited Plan 2395 and Lot 4 on Deposited Plan 2396, and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, No. 1D/1207, Gisborne Registry, subject to Memorandum of Lease No. 88102;

(b) All those pieces of land containing 4,438 acres 3 roods
5 perches, more or less, being Lot 2 on Deposited
Plan 2394 and Lot 1 on Deposited Plan 3525, and
being all the land comprised and described in
certificate of title, No. 1p/1208, Gisborne Registry,
subject to the fencing covenant in Transfer 20920
and to Memorandum of Lease No. 88102.

21. Disposal of remaining assets by Commissioner—After disposing of the assets of the Mangaotane Trust Estate pursuant to section 20 of this Act the Commissioner shall—

(a) Pay from his General Reserve the taxation and other liabilities provided for and shown in his audited balance sheet at the 30th day of June 1970; and

(b) Dispose of the balance of his General Reserve in the manner proposed in his report made to the Court pursuant to section 14 of the Maori Purposes Act 1953 for the year ended on that day and already filed in the Court with an application for confirmation under that section.

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- 22. Discharge of Commissioner—Upon the Commissioner filing in the Court a certificate that he has complied with the requirements of sections 20 and 21 of this Act he shall be and be deemed to have been discharged from his office and (in so far as he has acted honestly and reasonably) from all liability in respect of his administration other than liability in respect of any fraud or fraudulent breach of trust to which he has been a party or privy.
- 23. Land to be held by Maori Trustee pending determination of owners—(1) Pending the making by the Court of an order under section 17 of the Maori Purposes Act 1951 in respect of the land transferred to the Maori Trustee pursuant to section 20 of this Act, he shall hold it in trust for the persons who shall by that order be declared to be the owners 20 thereof.
- (2) Upon and by the making by the Court of that order under section 17 of the Maori Purposes Act 1951, the land referred to in subsection (1) of this section shall become and be deemed to be Maori land and shall vest for a legal and 25 beneficial estate in fee simple in the persons set out in the order and in the shares shown therein. The Registrar of the Court shall transmit the order to the District Land Registrar who shall amend his records accordingly.
- 24. Disposition by Maori Trustee of assets other than 30 land—(1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, the Maori Trustee shall, upon the expiry of 4 months after the date of the making of the order under section 17 of the Maori Purposes Act 1951, convert into money all remaining property transferred to him by the Commissioner 35 pursuant to section 20 of this Act not then consisting of money and shall distribute the fund then held, after payment of any expenses and charges, to the owners of the land affected by that order as if it were money derived from the alienation of the land.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section shall be construed to prevent the Maori Trustee from giving effect to any lawful order of the Court for the payment of money otherwise than as provided by that subsection or to any confirmed resolution of the assembled owners of the land passed under Part XXIII of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 as to the application of the money.

25. Repeals—(1) Section 18 of the Maori Purposes Act 1951, and subsection (1) of section 6 and section 16 of the

10 Maori Purposes Act 1953, are hereby repealed.

(2) The provisions of this Part of this Act shall prevail over and supersede the provisions of Part IV of the Maori Purposes Act 1931, Part II of the Maori Purposes Act 1951, and Part I of the Maori Purposes Act 1953 to the extent that 15 they are inconsistent with those provisions.

## PART IV

#### Poho-o-Rawiri Marae

26. Poho-o-Rawiri Marae set apart as a Maori Reservation—(1) The land described in subsection (2) of this section 20 (hereinafter in this section referred to as Poho-o-Rawiri Marae) is hereby set apart as a Maori reservation under section 439 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 for the common use and benefit of the members of the tribes named in subsection (3) of this section as a Maori community centre.

(2) The land comprised in Poho-o-Rawiri Marae consists

of:

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(a) All those pieces of land containing 8 acres 6.6 perches, more or less, being Lots 1 and 2 on Deposited Plan 3086 and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, No. 111/23, Gisborne Registry:

(b) All those pieces of land containing 1 rood 29.8 perches, more or less, being Lot 1 on Deposited Plan 5090 and part Lot 2 on Deposited Plan 4952, and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, No. 1a/300, Gisborne Registry:

(c) All that piece of land containing 4 acres, more or less, being Kaiti 322 Block, and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, No. 3A/905, Gisborne Registry, subject to Memorandum

of Lease No. 58667.

(3) The tribes for whose use and benefit the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae is set apart are:

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Ngationeone.

Ngatiporou (and its constituent hapus).

Rongowhakaata.

Aitanga-a-Mahaki.

Ngai Tamanuhiri.

27. Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee—(1) The persons holding office at the commencement of this Act as members of the committee of management of the Maori incorporation 10 known as "The Proprietors of Poho-o-Rawiri" are hereby constituted a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal under the name of "Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee".

(2) Members of the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee 15 shall be elected and appointed and shall retire and may resign or be removed from office as if they were members of the committee of management (consisting of 7 members) of a Maori incorporation under Part IV of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967, constituted in the year 1969, and the 20 provisions of subsections (4) and (5) of section 52, section 53, subsections (1) to (6) of section 54, and sections 55 and 56 of that Act and of the Maori Incorporations Regulations 1969 shall with the necessary modifications apply accordingly:

Provided that the meetings required by subsection (1) of 25 section 28 of this Act shall for the purposes of the provisions abovementioned stand in place of the annual general meetings of shareholders.

28. Meetings of Committee—(1) The Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee shall once in each year within 6 months 30 after the 31st day of March arrange for and hold a general meeting of members of the tribes named in subsection (3) of section 26 of this Act for the purpose of receiving a report on the administration of the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae and the financial statement required to be prepared under subclause 35 (3) of regulation 5 of the Maori Reservations Regulations 1963 and of discussing the same and the administration of the Marae and (if necessary) of electing a person or persons to fill any vacancies in the committee, and may arrange for and hold special general meetings for any such purpose.

- (2) If any question shall arise at any general meeting as to whether any person is or is not a member of one of the tribes named in subsection (3) of section 26 of this Act the question shall be decided in the first instance by the Chairman 5 of the meeting after such consultation as he thinks fit. The Chairman's decision shall be final for that meeting and, unless within 7 days after the meeting any person interested appeals in writing to the Committee against the decision, it shall be final for all purposes. If an appeal is made to the 10 Committee its decision after hearing the appellant, and the person concerned if he be not the appellant, shall be final.
- 29. Land vested in Committee—(1) The land described in subsection (2) of section 26 of this Act is hereby vested for an estate in fee simple in the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae 15 Committee to hold and administer it subject to the provisions of this section as trustees under and in accordance with section 439 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 and any regulations made under that section.
- (2) The District Land Registrar for the Gisborne Land 20 Registration District is hereby authorised and directed without fee to enter upon the certificates of title to the said land a memorial of the vesting effected by subsection (1) of this section.
- 30. Authority to sell, lease, or exchange land—Except in 25 respect of the land comprised in certificate of title, No. 111/23, and notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (9) of section 439 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953, the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee may, with the consent of the Court, sell, lease, or exchange any of the land for the time being 30 vested in it.
- 31. Dissolution of the Proprietors of Poho-o-Rawiri and provision incidental thereto—(1) The Maori incorporation known as The Proprietors of Poho-o-Rawiri is hereby dissolved and all the personal property and all the rights, powers, and privileges appertaining to that incorporation are hereby vested in the Poho-o-Rawiri Marae Committee, which shall also become subject to and liable for all claims and liabilities to which that incorporation was subject.

(2) The order made by the Court at Gisborne on the 1st day of September 1954 under section 438 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 and registered in the Land Registry Office at Gisborne under No. 51869 in respect of part of the land described in subsection (2) of section 26 of this Act is hereby revoked.

(3) The order made by the Court on the 3rd day of December 1883 under the provisions of the Native Land Court Act 1880 and the Native Land Division Act 1882 vesting part of the land described in subsection (2) of 10 section 26 of this Act in 3 trustees is hereby revoked.